Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The third Sunday of October 2004 is designated Catholic Daughters of the Americas Day; and,

Whereas, The theme for this celebrated observance is "Yesterday–Today–Tomorrow Women of Faith and Vision"; and,

Whereas, Over the course of more than 100 years, members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas have demonstrated their fidelity to the principles and objectives of their mission statement; and,

Whereas, In allegiance to our patroness, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and always seeking her protection, Catholic Daughters strive to emulate her Christian ideals; and,

Whereas, Catholic Daughters endeavor to preserve the respect of all humanity and, in particular, the dignity of womanhood; and,

Whereas, We look to the future generation to carry the baton into new victories; and,

Whereas, Catholic Daughters of the Americas in the name of Mary, our Mother and Patroness, advance into a new century as women of faith with a vision to broaden the path of Christian service to humankind:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 17, 2004, as

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State